§ 203.81

REQUIRED REPORTS

§ 203.81 What supplemental reports do royalty-relief applications require?

(a) You must send us the supplemental reports listed below that apply

to your field. §§ 203.83 through 203.91 describe these reports in detail.

| Required reports | End-of-life lease | Deep water expansion project | Pre-act deep water lease |
|---|----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Administrative information report | x x | x | x |
| other required reports) | | x x | x x |
| Engineering report | | X X | x x |
| Deep water cost report Fabricator's confirmation report | | X X | X X |
| | | x x | x x |

- (b) You must certify that all information in your application, fabricator's confirmation and post-production development reports is accurate, complete, and conforms to the most recent content and presentation guidelines available from the MMS GOM Regional Office.
- (c) You must submit with your application and post-production development report an additional report prepared by a CPA that:
- (1) Assesses the accuracy of the historical financial information in your report; and
- (2) Certifies that the content and presentation of the financial data and information conforms to our most recent guidelines on royalty relief.
- (d) You must identify the people in the CPA firm who prepared the reports referred to in paragraph (c) of this section and make them available to us to respond to questions about the historical financial information. We may also further review your records to support this information.

§ 203.82 What is MMS's authority to collect this information?

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the information collection requirements in part 203 under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* and assigned OMB control number 1010–0071.

(a) We use the information to determine whether royalty relief will result in production that wouldn't otherwise

occur. We rely largely on your information to make these determinations.

- (1) Your application for royalty relief must contain enough information on finances, economics, reservoirs, G&G characteristics, production, and engineering estimates for us to determine whether:
- (i) We should grant relief under the law, and
- (ii) The requested relief will ultimately recover more resources and return a reasonable profit on project investments.
- (2) Your fabricator confirmation and post-production development reports must contain enough information for us to verify that your application reasonably represented your plans.
- (b) Applicants (respondents) are Federal OCS oil and gas lessees. Applications are required to obtain or retain a benefit. Therefore, if you apply for royalty relief, you must provide this information. We will protect information considered proprietary under applicable law and under regulations at §203.63(b) and part 250 of this chapter.
- (c) The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires us to inform you that we may not conduct or sponsor, and you are not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.
- (d) You may send comments regarding any aspect of the collection of information under this part, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Information Collection Clearance